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Rom 2:15 Which shew the work of the law written in their hearts, **their conscience** also bearing witness, and *their* thoughts the mean while accusing or else excusing one another;)

1Ti 4:2 Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron;

**III.** Much counseling is getting people to admit what they already know.

**\* You can gain wisdom from those who have previously discovered it.** Pro 13:20 He that walketh with wise *men* shall be wise: but a companion of fools shall be destroyed.

- Pro 11:14 Where no counsel *is*, the people fall: but in the multitude of counsellors *there is* safety.
- Pro 12:15 The way of a fool *is* right in his own eyes: but he that hearkeneth unto counsel *is* wise.
- Pro 15:22 Without counsel purposes are disappointed: but in the multitude of counsellors they are established. - **A multitude of counselors = Experts in a multitude of fields.**
- Pro 19:20 Hear counsel, and receive ( **receive = Marry it for life III. Not just acknowledge truth but do it.**) instruction, that thou mayest be wise in thy latter end.
- Pro 20:18 *Every* purpose is established by counsel: and with good advice make war.
- Pro 27:9 Ointment and perfume rejoice the heart: so *doth* the sweetness of a man's friend by hearty counsel.

**\* You can learn how to “ Draw out” wisdom from everyone you meet.** Pro 20:5 Counsel in the heart of man *is like* deep water; but a man of understanding will draw it out.

**\*\*\* A wise person will learn the techniques that it takes to gain information from people who are knowledgeable.**

**1. Buy wisdom.** Pro 23:23 Buy the truth, and sell *it* not; *also* wisdom, and instruction, and understanding.

**2. Win people over to you.** Pro 11:30 The fruit of the righteous *is* a tree of life; and he that winneth souls *is* wise.

**3. Make many contacts.** Pro 11:14 Where no counsel *is*, the people fall: but in the **multitude of counsellors *there is* safety.**

**4. Offer wisdom when given wisdom.** Pro 27:17 Iron sharpeneth iron; so a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend.

Pro 27:9 Ointment and perfume rejoice the heart: so *doth* the sweetness of a man's friend by hearty counsel.

- Pro 8:10 Receive my instruction, and not silver; and knowledge rather than choice gold.

Pro 8:11 For wisdom *is* better than rubies; and all the things that may be desired are not to be compared to it. ( **Spend your \$ to get wise. ) the by-product is more riches vs 18.** Pro

8:12 I wisdom dwell with prudence ( **looking ahead and making a plan accordingly**), and find out knowledge of witty inventions. Pro 8:13 The fear of the LORD *is* to hate evil: pride,

and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the froward mouth, do I hate. ( **selfishness** ) Pro 8:14 Counsel *is* mine, and sound wisdom: I *am* understanding; I have strength. ( **All good counsel comes from God so it will never contradict His word or principles** ) Pro 8:15 By me kings reign, and princes decree justice. Pro 8:16 By me princes rule, and nobles, *even* all the judges of the earth. Pro 8:17 I love them that love me; and those that seek me early shall find me. ( **wisdom wants to be found especially by those who seek her before they “need” her.** ) - **Wisdom will laugh at your troubles if you ignore her Pro 1:20—33 esp vs 25-26** Pro 8:18 Riches and honour *are* with me; *yea*, durable riches and righteousness. ( **getting money is a by-product of getting wisdom.** ) Pro 8:19 My fruit *is* better than gold, *yea*, than fine gold; and my revenue than choice silver. - **Since riches are only a partial benefit of getting wisdom. Wisdom is a greater benefit than the riches that she gives you.** Pro 8:20 I lead in the way of righteousness, in the midst of the paths of judgment: Pro 8:21 That I may cause those that love me to inherit ( **substance will come to you.** ) substance; and **I will fill their treasures.**

Pro 1:20 Wisdom crieth without; she uttereth her voice in the streets: Pro 1:21 She crieth in the chief place of concourse, in the openings of the gates: in the city she uttereth her words, *saying*, Pro 1:22 How long, ye simple ones, will ye love simplicity? and the scorers delight in their scorning, and fools hate knowledge? Pro 1:23 Turn you at my reproof: behold, I will pour out my spirit unto you, I will make known my words unto you. Pro 1:24 Because I have called, and ye refused; I have stretched out my hand, and no man regarded; Pro 1:25 **But ye have set at nought all my counsel, and would none of my reproof: Pro 1:26 I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when your fear cometh; ...**

**Pro 20:6 Most men will proclaim every one his own goodness: ( “Hey I did the right thing” = brag on themselves to get a pat on the back.) but a faithful man who can find?**

- Who can do what they should without a pat on the back.

• **What is FAITHFUL** - permanently trust worthy

\* **Num 12:7** My servant Moses *is* not so, who *is* faithful in all mine house.

\* Neh 9:7 Thou *art* the LORD the God, who didst choose Abram, and broughtest him forth out of Ur of the Chaldees, and gavest him the name of Abraham; **Neh 9:8 And foundest his heart faithful before thee**, and madest a covenant with him to give the land of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Jebusites, and the Girgashites, to give *it, I say*, to his seed, and hast performed thy words; for thou *art* righteous:

- Gen 18:17 And the LORD said, Shall I hide from Abraham that thing which I do; Gen 18:18 Seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him? Gen 18:19 **For I know him, that he will command his children** and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the LORD, to do justice and judgment; that the LORD may bring upon Abraham that which he hath spoken of him.

\* 1Sa 2:35 And **I will raise me up a faithful priest**, *that* shall do according to *that* which is in mine heart and in my mind: and I will build him a sure house; and he shall walk before mine anointed for ever.

\* **One you can trust.** Pro 11:13 A talebearer revealeth secrets: but he that is of a faithful spirit concealeth the matter.

\* **Someone that can be trusted brings health:** Pro 13:17 A wicked messenger falleth into mischief: but a faithful ambassador is health.

- Pro 25:13 *As the cold of snow in the time of harvest, so is a faithful messenger to them that send him: for he refresheth the soul of his masters.*

\* **They can be trusted not to lie:** Pro 14:5 A faithful witness will not lie: but a false witness will utter lies.

- **they will tell you the truth even when it hurts:** Pro 27:5 Open rebuke is better than secret love. Pro 27:6 Faithful are the wounds of a friend; but the kisses of an enemy are deceitful.

\* **A trusted man will have blessings that \$ alone can't buy:** Pro 28:20 A faithful man shall abound with blessings: but he that maketh haste to be rich shall not be innocent.

Dan 6:4 *Then the presidents and princes sought to find occasion against Daniel concerning the kingdom; but they could find none occasion nor fault; forasmuch as he was faithful, neither was there any error or fault found in him.*

Mat 25:21 *His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.*

- **God made the dependable one the ruler.**

\*\*\* - **God watches if you are faithful in His money that he has made you a steward over to see if you are qualified to have the power of God.**

Luk 16:10 He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much: and he that is unjust in the least is unjust also in much.

Luk 16:11 If therefore ye have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your trust the true riches?

**Luk 16:12** And if ye have not been faithful in that which is another man's, who shall give you that which is your own?

Luk 16:13 No servant can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.

1Co 4:2 Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful.

- **If you are going to oversee another mans goods God requires that you be found faithful.**

\* **For deacons you must be able to depend on their family.**

1Ti 3:11 Even so *must their wives be* grave, not slanderers, sober, faithful in all things.

Tit 1:6 If any be blameless, the husband of one wife, having faithful children not accused of riot or unruly.

**\* Invest in those who are faithful.**

2Ti 2:2 And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.

Pro 27:2 Let another man praise thee, and not thine own mouth; a stranger, and not thine own lips.

Pro 20:11 Even a child is known by his doings, whether his work *be* pure, and whether *it be* right.

Mat 5:16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.